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In honor of my father Hermilo T. Docto (December 10, 1937-October 2, 2005)

Mezzo-Soprano

Mountains of Spices*From the Song of Songs*

Dennis Báthory-Kitsz

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12 *mp*

Hi - nakh ya - fa - ra - ya - ti _____ hi - nakh hi - nakh.
Be - hold thou art fair my love; Be - hold, be - hold.

17
— ya - fa ei - na — yikh yo nim. Hi - nakh ya -
Thou art fair Thou hast dove's eyes. Be - hold. Thou

22
fa - ra - ya - ti hi - nakh, hi - nakh, hi - nakh. **5** *mf*
art fair my love; be - hold, be - hold, be - hold. Sam-khu - ni
Stay me

32 *slightly faster (d=96)*
ba - a - she - shot rap - du - ni ba - ta - pu - khim ki - kho - lat a -
with fla - gons com - fort me with ap - ples, for I am
ha - va a - ni Sam-khu -
sick with love. Stay

38
ni ba - a - she - shot rap - du - ni ba - ta - pu - khim ki - ko lat a -
me with fla - gons com - fort me with ap - ples, for I am

45
ha - va a - ni Sam-khu -
sick with love. Stay

51
11
ha - va a - ni Sam-khu -
sick with love. Stay

69 *d=84*
3:2
p A - na do - di v'a mar li ku - mi lakh ra - ya - ti _____ ya -
My be-lov - ed spake and said un - to me rise up my

75
fa - ti u - le - khi - lakh _____ Ki - hi - ne ha - se - tav ha -
fair one and come a - way _____ For lo, the se - tav ha -
se - tav a - var ha - ge - shem kha - laf ha - lakh lo. *mp*
past, the rain is o - ver and gone.

82 **2**

89 *p*

Do - di ya - rad l'ga - no la - a - ru - gat ha - bo - sem
My be - lov - ed is gone down in - to his gar - den

94

lir - ot ba - ga - nim v'lil - kot sho -
in - to the beds of spices, to feed in the gar - dens and to

99

sha - nim. *mp* Ma - yim ra - bim lo yukh - lu l'kha - bot
ga - ther li - lies. Man - y wa - ters can - not quench love

104

et - ha - a - ha - va u - ne - ha - rot lo yish - t'fu -
nei - ther can the flood drown it; if a man would give

107

ha im - yi - ten ish et - kol - hon bei - to ba - a -
all the sub - stance of the home for love, it will be

110

ha - va boz ya - vu - zu lo
ut - ter - ly con - temned.

6

121 *mp*

B'rakh do - di u - de - me - l'kha list - vi o lo - fer ha - a - ya -
Make haste my be - lov - ed, and be thou like to a roe

125 *mf*

lim al ha - rei v'sa - mim. B'rakh do di u - de - me - l'kha lits -
or to a young hart. Make haste my be - lov - ed, Make haste, Be

130

vi o l'o fer ha - a - ya - lim al ha - rei v'sa - mim, v'sa
like to a roe up - on the moun - tains, up - on the moun -

135

mim, o l'o - fer ha - a - ya - lim al ha - rei v'sa mim.
tains, up - on the moun - tains, the moun - tains of spices.

140

p (ah) *pp* (ah)